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## Clydes judgement will push firms to review membership agreements, say lawyers - Legal Week - 21 May 2014

Law firms may need to re-think their partnership agreements and structures in light of today's Supreme Court judgement on LLP whistleblowing, according to a number of employment lawyers.

The ruling found that limited liability partnership (LLP) members have the same protection as employees in whistleblowing cases.

Weightmans' employment partner Phil Allen said that while the judgment would be welcomed "as a move towards greater transparency in the corporate world", the decision could cause uncertainty for LLP-structured businesses.

The judgment follows a case brought by former Clyde & Co partner Krista Bates van Winkelhof, who alleges she was dismissed for blowing the whistle on the managing partner of Clydes' Tanzanian associate firm.

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